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SUBJECT: RESUMPTION OF TRAINING BY US AIRCRAFT AT INCIRLIK

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1. WE WELCOME NORMALIZATION OF US MILITARY ACTIVITIES BUT SUGGEST THAT RETURN OF F-4'S TO INCIRLIK, AND THEIR USE OF AIR-TO-AIR GUNNERY RANGE OVER WATERS BETWEEN TURKEY AND CYPRUS, BE DEFERRED UNTIL CEASEFIRE ON CYPRUS FIRM AND LINE OF DEMARCATION BETWEEN FORCES FIXED.

2. WE REGARD AS SLIGHT POSSIBILITY THAT GREECE WILL ENGAGE IN SOME MILITARY ACTION IN EVENT ENCROACHMENTS BY TURKISH FORCES ON CYPRUS CONTINUE. NEVERTHELESS, DELAY UNTIL CONDITIONS MENTIONED PARA ONE ABOVE MET WOULD AVOID PUTTING US FORCES INTO AREA OF TENSION AND ALSO PRECLUDE ADVERSE REACTION FROM HAF, WHOSE PHILOTIMO WAS NOTABLY WOUNDED IN ITS LIMITED AND INEFFECTUAL PARTICIPATION IN CONFLICT.
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